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EX parte PETER J. KIGHT, MARK A. JOHNSON,
TAMARA K. CHRISTENSON, REGINA LACH,
PHILIP POINTER, and KENNETH COOK

Application No. 09/250,711

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on March 30, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below:

Appellants filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) on November 24, 2003. It is not clear from the record whether the examiner considered the statement submitted or whether the examiner notified appellants of why their submission did not meet the criteria set forth in 37 CFR § 1.97 and 1.98.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner for consideration of the IDS filed on November 24, 2003,

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written notification to appellants of consideration, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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